Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 25 Mar 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 26 Mar 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 25 Mar 2021 at 03:25 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for showery weather and colder for a time, then milder with often wet weather from later Saturday, but low for timing of rain on Sunday and Monday.

Headline for Thursday 25 Mar 2021: Mainly dull morning with some showery rain, mountain snow and hill fog, then brighter in afternoon but with some heavier showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 25 Mar 2021

Blizzards Low Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow	Sleet	Sleet	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Sleet
Precipitation probability					
50%	60%	60%	70%	70%	60%

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Weather: A mostly cloudy morning, with further occasional rain, with the snow level 700m rising to 900m. Somewhat brighter in the afternoon and early evening but with some heavy showers passing through, these still of snow on the Munro tops. Showers merge to heavier, more persistent rain with snow above 900m.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10% until late morning then 40% in afternoon and falling 10% in the evening.

Visibility: Moderate, perhaps poor in the morning. General visibility then improving in the afternoon but heavier showers will bring poor visibility at times. Cloud: Layered around 400-600m with lower patches at first with very poor summit visibility, then becoming slightly more broken bases generally rising 750-900m with a few patches to 500m near showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	38/46 SW	41/50 SW	38/48 SW	40/50 SW	42/52 S	48/61 S	42/53 SW
900	26/34 SW	27/35 SW	27/37 SW	28/38 SW	28/38 SW	33/46 S	29/40 SW
600	37/44 SW	39/47 SW	35/44 SW	35/44 SW	35/44 S	44/55 S	36/46 SW
300	19/28 SW	20/28 SW	20/29 SW	19/28 SW	17/27 S	23/35 S	20/31 S
Glen	14/27 SW	15/28 SW	16/30 SW	14/27 SW	11/25 SW	13/30 S	15/31 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	-2/-12	-2/-11	-1/-10	-0/-10	-1/-11	-2/-12	-2/-12
900	-0/-8	0/-7	2/-6	2/-5	1/-6	1/-7	0/-7
600	2/-6	3/-5	4/-3	4/-2	4/-3	4/-3	3/-5
300	4/-1	5/-0	6/1	7/2	6/2	6/1	5/-0
Glen	6/2	7/3	8/4	9/5	8/5	8/4	7/3
Freezing Level*	900m	1000m	1100m	1100m	1100m	1100m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Summit winds could be 10mph higher than the table shows.

Forecast for Friday 26 Mar 2021
Weather: A spell of heavier rain with snow above 800-900m overnight, clearing to showers towards dawn and turning to snow at most levels. Occasional showers during the day with some on the heavy side, with snow falling down to 400m and occasionally wintry to lower levels. Snow showers down to 200m in the evening.

Maximum wind: South or southwest 50 gusts 75mph in early hours then 40 gusts 55 mph during the day.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10% overnight then 40% by day.

Visibility: Very poor overnight. By day occasionally good but falling poor, perhaps briefly very poor in snow showers. Cloud by day broken at 600-800m but falling 500m in showers with the odd lower patch

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 1 at daybreak rising to Plus 6 between showers by day then dipping to zero in the evening.
At 800m: Plus 2 at midnight falling to Minus 2 by morning.
Freezing level: Above summits at midnight falling to 400m by morning.

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